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**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL**  
**PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE-II**

**DATE:** 10 July 2014

**TIME:** 2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Department Operations Center  
Rhode Island Department of Health

**ATTENDANCE:**

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
<b>Committee-II</b>			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John J. Barry III			X
Raymond C. Coia, Esq.	X		
Steven DeToy			X
Joseph L. Dowling, MD	X		
Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD	X		
Robert Hamel, RN			X
Jeanette Matrone, RN, PhD	X		
Daniel Orgel, MPA			X
Denise Panichas	X		
Reverend David Shire (Vice Chair)	X		

**Staff:** Edward D'Arezzo, Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Steve Morris, Esq., Krista Sevigny (Intern)

**Public:** (Attached)

**1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability**

The meeting was called to order at 2:44 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Project Review Committee-II meeting of 17 April 2014 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of seven in favor and none opposed (7-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act due to the increase

in administrative burdens on staff. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Coia, Dowling, Graziano, Matrone, Panichas, Shire.

## **2. General Order of Business**

The next item on the agenda was the application of **CH-Oak Hill, LLC** (whose sole member is Chestnut Health and Rehabilitation Group, Inc., Berwyn, PA) for a change in effective control of Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation – Oak Hill in Pawtucket, RI. Reverend Shire, Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused. Mr. Dowling recused.

Representatives of the applicant made a PowerPoint presentation and responded to the Committee's questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Coai, seconded by Ms. Panichas, and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) to recommend that the application for a change in effective control be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Coai, Graziano, Matrone, Panichas, and Shire.

As part of the vote, Ms. Panichas stated "I am voting yes because I believe that they have met the criteria of the change in effective control and they have shown a willingness to provide all the information that the committee has asked for and that satisfies me." Ms. Matrone voted yes because she was satisfied with the comprehensive presentation of the applicant. Mr. Coai voted yes because CH-Oak Hill met the burden required of the applicant. Graziano voted yes because she was very impressed with the not-for-profit status of the applicant. Rev. Shire voted yes saying ditto to the last two speakers.

## **3. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael K. Dexter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michael K. Dexter  
Chief  
Office of Health Systems Development